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In the nation's spotlight

Haliburton's dogsled derby to be showcased across Canada

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Get ready to take centre stage, Haliburton.

This past weekend Canadian comedic icon Rick Mercer was in town filming a segment for his popular television show – *The Rick Mercer Report* – at the seventh annual Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby. The segment is likely to air nationwide on CBC next Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Mercer's presence, which was announced less than 48 hours prior to the event, created a buzz around the already highly anticipated event, and during the filming hundreds of local residents gathered around camera crews to get a sneak peek of the star.

Event organizer Tanya McCready of Winterdance Dogsled Tours said that Mercer's visit, as well as the presence of Jamaican dogsledder Damion Robb, made this year's event the most highly publicized in its history.

"The exposure this year has been huge," McCready told the *Echo* on Monday.

"The Jamaican team had inter-

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GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

The CBC's Rick Mercer was in Haliburton this past weekend to film a segment for his show, *The Rick Mercer Report*, at the seventh annual Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby. The show is likely to air next Tuesday at 8 p.m. on CBC. More photos from the event are on pages 3 and 13.

Public could sway library decision

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

Public feedback from the library forums in Highlands East tonight and Algonquin Highlands tomorrow night will play a large role in determining the fate of the libraries in the two municipalities.

At the library board meeting on Wednesday, it was indicated that if the public strongly opposes county council's decision to fund only one library branch per municipality, the board will reconsider its recommendation to close branches and advise coun-

cil to adjust its previous decision.

"What we need to explain is the reasoning behind why we did what we did," Cheryl Murdoch, chair of the library board, said at the meeting.

"I fear a two-tier system ... of have and have-not library services," she said.

In August, county council voted unanimously to "rationalize" libraries in the county and fund only one per municipality in order to improve programming, hours and circulation.

Minden Hills and Dysart et al both only have one library, so the impact of council's decision will

only be felt in Algonquin Highlands' two libraries and Highland East's four libraries.

The idea to rationalize libraries came from the board, which made a recommendation to council to bring the county's libraries up to provincial standards.

Since the decision was made, many residents have organized meetings and sent letters of protest to local politicians expressing outrage at the decision. They are especially upset that there was no consultation with the public before the cuts

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Rash of fires

Third fire in two weeks leaves another family homeless

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

The trailer home of Margaret and Lawrence Nesbitt on Kennisis Lake Road, a few kilometers northeast of West Guilford, tragically burned to the ground late in the morning of January 24.

Captain Murray Miscio of the Dysart et al fire department was first to arrive on scene, joined shortly after by the Stanhope Fire Department.

"It [the home] was fully engulfed when we got here," said Miscio, who arrived shortly after 11:30 a.m.

Dysart fire chief Miles Maughan believes the fire started at the wood stove, which was the home's main heat source.

The couple awoke that morning as they would any other and began their usual routine until one of them noticed the flames. In a desperate attempt to save their home Margaret sustained minor burns to her hands.

"It started at the stove on the far end of the trailer," Lawrence told the *Echo*. "It [the flames] went up so high we couldn't get it out. It didn't take long to go."

Lawrence said the couple had

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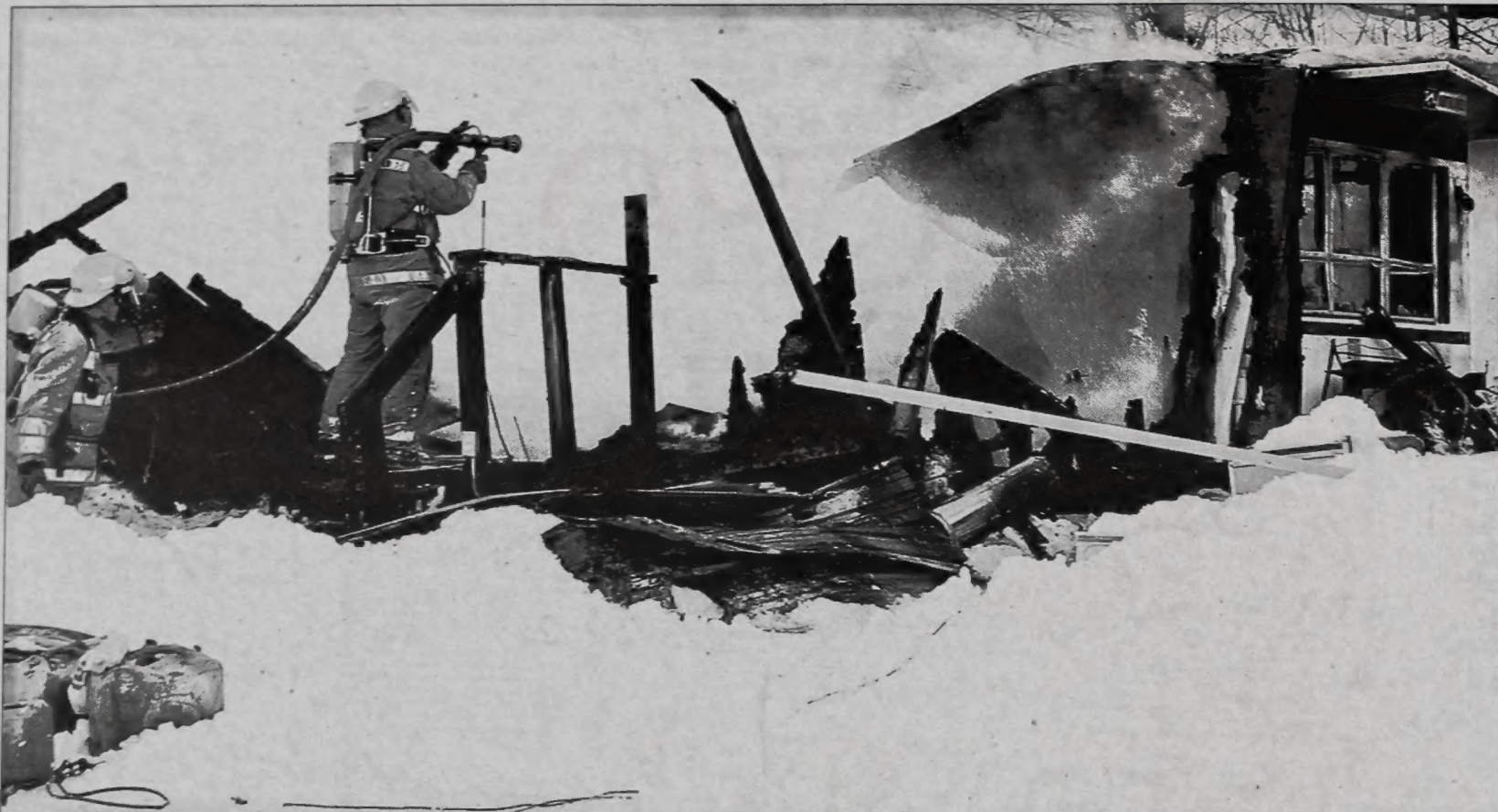
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Fire crews did all they could but were unable to save the Nesbitt's trailer home on Kennis Lake Road last week. The fire is the third to leave a family homeless in two weeks, including a visibly shaken Margaret Nesbitt, below.

Chief can't explain flukey fires

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lived in the trailer for the past 16 years. All of their possessions were lost in Thursday's fire.

He added that inside the trailer home there was also a propane tank. When asked, the couple both said they did not hear any explosions.

Tiffany Howard, a neighbour across the street, was home at the time of the fire and described the Nesbitts as "calm" when they arrived at her house for solace and warmth from the nipping temperatures of -10 degrees.

It was the county's third major fire in two weeks. When asked if there was any particular reason for the

number of fires recently, Maughan told the *Echo*, "It's completely a coincidence. We never had any structure fires this time last year."

Donations can be made to the Nesbitts as well as the Redner and Edmunds families, who also endured house fires, at the West Guilford Shopping Centre and the Eagle Lake Country Market. If there are other locations accepting donations for the three families please contact the *Echo*.

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Celebrity presence draws a crowd

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views on CBC radio, we'll be on the Rick Mercer Report, and both CHEX TV and the A-Channel were there filming too."

Photos from the event taken by the Echo were also published in Sunday's edition of the Toronto Sun.

And while it's not known if Mercer's filming led to a direct increase in attendance, McCready said that it certainly added even a greater sense of excitement to the entire weekend - even if it was a little hectic at times.

"I'm not sure whether it made a big impact on attendance or not. The crowds on Saturday were great, but the past few Saturdays the crowds have been great anyway," she said. "But it certainly made the day more active. Usually there is a lull between the races, but with Rick Mercer there the races stopped and then everyone focused on him...it was great."

All told, Mercer spent several hours at the derby shooting for an upcoming episode. After receiving some dogsledding tips from the staff of Winterdance, he even took to the course with a team of four dogs for some thrills and spills of his own.



A crowd cheers on comedian Rick Mercer as he joins in Saturday's dogsledding fun.

Before filming, Mercer also took the time to record an exclusive interview with Canoe FM radio host Mike Jaycock.

In the interview, which airs for the first time tomorrow on Canoe, Mercer shares his sentiments on everything from blogging to Afghanistan to American presidential hopeful Mike Huckabee.

"After I interviewed him I thought, 'Well, this guy's not going to go anywhere,'" joked Mercer of Huckabee. "He's not the sharpest knife in the drawer. I've seen brighter lights on small appliances. But there he is, a leading Republican candidate.

He could be president of the United States."

Mercer told Jaycock that he is no stranger to the Highlands, and two years ago stayed at a cottage in Minden for "about a month." The decision to come to Haliburton for the Dogsled Derby, he said, was a last-minute surprise for him as much as it was for McCready.

"We often don't know where we're going to go from week to week," he said.

But while Mercer was off pretending to race, the other focal point for attention - Jamaican dogsledder Damion Robb - was diligently competing for top

prize in Saturday morning's four-dog event.

In the end, Robb did not crack the top 10, but said after the race that he was satisfied with his showing in Haliburton and glad to have had the opportunity to compete.

"I did great. It was a very slow run, but overall I came eleventh out of 19. I surely did like the run," he said.

"It was a great experience. While riding on the snow you have to be more on your heels and toes. Anything can happen at any moment."

Results from the 2008 Dogsled Derby

Winners:

8-dog open - Lou Serre
8-dog Purebred - Leigh Gilcrist

6-dog Open - Lou Serre
6-dog Purebred - Susan Gilcrist

4-dog Open - Mark Sieretsema
4-dog Purebred - Susan Gilcrist

Skijoring - Jason Sperry

Youth Race - Moses Mulby

Local Competitors:

Karen Koehler
14th place, skijoring

Logan McCready-DeBruin
2nd place, Youth Race

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3rd place, Youth Race

Dakota Francis
4th place, Youth Race



Canoe FM's Mike Jaycock shares a laugh with Mercer.



Barry Wilhelm interviews Jamaican dogsledder Damion Robb.

To listen to Canoe FM's exclusive interview with the CBC's Rick Mercer tune in to 100.9 FM tomorrow at 12:45 p.m. and again at 5:30 p.m. Rebroadcast will be Saturday at 8 a.m.

Hodgson shoots for the NHL

Haliburton native could be a hot commodity in this year's draft

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Haliburton native Cody Hodgson had a chance to impress NHL scouts and general managers while playing in the NHL Top Prospect game on January 23. The game was held at Rexall Place, home of the NHL's Edmonton Oilers, in front of a crowd of 13,596.

The annual game provides hundreds of NHL league and team scouts, as well as some general managers, the chance to analyze the top juniors eligible for the 2008 NHL Entry Draft, to be held in Ottawa in June.

"I was honoured to be named to the game," said Hodgson, who received "the call" approximately two weeks prior to the game.

Hodgson has watched previous Top Prospects games, but said that he didn't concentrate much on whether he would be asked to come out. But there is no doubt that the soon to be 18-year-old is aware of those who played in the game before him: Joe Thornton, Chris Pronger, Rick Nash, and 2007 NHL rookies Patrick Kane and Sam Gagner to name a few.

Hodgson's performance in

the game certainly didn't spoil his chances. Playing on a line with Joshua Bailey and Zack Boychuk, Hodgson picked up three assists, tying him with Boychuk for top scorer in the game. His "Team White" defeated "Team Red" by a score of 8-4.

And it wasn't just his numbers that were impressive. On the ice he played smart, physical hockey and produced a couple of pretty passes. Early in the first period one of the broadcasters said of Hodgson, "He's got a lot of skill." Hodgson also saw time on the power play and penalty kill.

"Our line had really good chemistry," said Hodgson in a telephone interview two days after the game.

Another part of the experience that wowed Hodgson was the opportunity to play for his coaches, former Edmonton Oilers greats Grant Fuhr and Glenn Anderson.

The day before the big game the two teams faced off in the skills competition where Team Red had come out on top.

"I found it interesting that Team Red dominated us in the skills game, but we dominated them in the game," said



MATT JAMES/Echo

Former Haliburton resident Cody Hodgson turned heads at the NHL's Top Prospect game, which was held at Rexall Place in Edmonton on January 23.

Hodgson. "We just worked better as a team."

And the experiences keep on coming for Hodgson, who was also named to the OHL All-Star team and festivities. That game is scheduled to take place on February 5 and 6.

Hodgson is currently second

in scoring on the Brampton Battalion with 32 goals and 29 assists for 61 points.

The Battalion sits second in the eastern conference, 12 points behind the Belleville Bulls and Hodgson made it clear that his focus was on taking that spot.

Woman not injured after close call

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

It was a close call but a Haliburton woman escaped injury when a car almost hit her last Wednesday afternoon.

The woman, who is one of the people served by Community Living, had bent down in the parking lot of Jug City to tie her shoelace. A driver was backing out of the parking lot and, because the woman was crouched down, the driver didn't see her.

It is believed, however, that the car stopped before hitting the woman.

She was initially shaken by the incident but not injured.

"The police told her she should buy a lottery ticket because it was her lucky day," says Elena Bjelis of Community Living.

Concert on hold

Illness has felled many of the performers who were going to take part in Richard Margison's fundraiser for the Highlands Opera Studio.

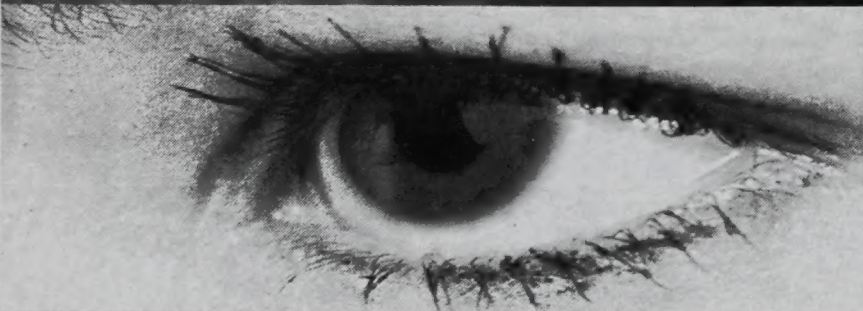
As a result, the Toronto concert on February 2 has been cancelled.

Plans for a similar event later this year are being planned. When the details are confirmed an announcement will be made.





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County considers tax hike of more than 10 per cent

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the January 23 county council meeting.

Staff proposed a tax increase of more than 10 per cent at the county level for the 2008/2009 year.

At a special budget meeting, all department heads and community groups presented preliminary numbers, but nothing was decided by council because accurate funding numbers from the province have not yet come in.

It is expected that council will vote on the budget at its March meeting.

HPV vaccinations

The first dose of the HPV vaccine was given to 59 per cent of eligible girls in the Haliburton, Kawartha and Pine Ridge district health unit as of November, according to minutes presented to council. The vaccine is free to girls in school in Grade 8 and prevents two strains of

the human papilloma virus that causes cervical cancer.

Tourism numbers up

Total inquiries to the tourist information centre on Highway 35 in Minden were up 17 per cent over last year, Robert Smith, director of economic development, tourism and marketing reported. A total of 14,329 walk-ins, telephone calls or e-mail requests went through the office, better than the 12,232 in 2006 and 9,951 in 2005.

2010 Summer Games

Haliburton County is submitting a letter of intent to host the 2010 Ontario Summer Games. The games started in 1970 and bring about 3,500 athletes between ages of 20 and 26.

Typically hosted by major urban centres, the organizer of the games has indicated having them spread throughout a larger geographic area is a possibility. There are many steps to follow in order to successfully host the games. The letter of intent is the first step.

Council shows solidarity during library board meeting

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were announced.

To remedy this, county council is holding two public meetings. One is tonight at 7 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce and the other is Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. at the Frost Centre.

The library board was also given statistics on library usage by municipality by Highlands East Deputy-reeve Jim Mackie. The entire Highlands East council attended the board meeting in a show of solidarity to maintain the four libraries the municipality has.

Mackie's numbers show that circulation of library books per person in Highlands East is actually much higher than in any other municipality in Haliburton.

Using 2006 Census figures and circulation statistics, Mackie showed that per capita, Highlands East residents took out 6.79 books per person in 2007. Dysart took out 4.72, Algonquin Highlands took out 3.61, and Minden Hills (the most populous municipality) took out 3.24.

Previous arguments had been made based on circulation, but had not been broken down by population.

Mackie's numbers will be presented at the public meetings.

"This scares me for the public meetings next week," said Warden Eleanor Harrison at the board meeting.

Harrison said she was worried that once the numbers are manipulated in different ways it will make decision making much more difficult. There are so many different ways to use the numbers relating to library usage that many conclusions could be arrived at with them, she said.

"The numbers are more confusing than they are helpful, while they can't be ignored," Harrison said in a later interview.

"Nobody's going to win with the numbers game," Murdoch said.

While recognizing that Mackie's statistics bring a new dimension to the dilemma, many on the committee felt that numbers could be used to reflect any reality depending on how they are used.

"There is no bias [in these numbers], just facts," Mackie said, noting that readership in Highlands East is probably even higher than the statistics show, because many in the municipality shop in Dysart and probably take out books at that library.

Man charged with impaired driving, three others have licences suspended

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands have a charged a driver as a result of a vehicle stop in the early morning hours of Saturday, January 26 in Haliburton Village.

The driver was arrested after being spoken to by officers and taken to the Haliburton Highlands Detachment.

A 21-year-old man of Minden Hills is charged with Impaired Driving, Driving Over 80 mgs and

Possession of Cannabis. The man will be appearing in Minden court on March 4 in relation to the charges.

Three other drivers also had their licences suspended for 12 hours after being stopped by the police during the weekend. Officers were also called to investigate 15 motor vehicle collisions during the course of the weekend.

Drivers are reminded to take a taxi or have a designated driver if they have been consuming alcohol.

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But, as proud as we are of our past, we also recognize that we're far from perfect. From time to time, we do make mistakes, then hold our collective breath for a week hoping that no one will notice.

Of course, someone always does. But at least that shows us you're still paying attention.

We're about to enter an exciting time here at the *Echo*. In the coming months we plan to focus more of our time, energy and resources back into our newspapers in hopes of make them even stronger than ever.

In early February we are also planning to launch our redesigned website, which will bring us into the 21st Century with new features such as streaming videos and photo galleries from community events.

In addition to that, we are also going to have a new section on our website where community groups and local residents can post their own stories about upcoming events, or upload photos from hockey games, dance recitals, or walks in Head Lake Park.

In the meantime, what we'd like most is to hear from you, our readers, about what you feel is important in your community newspaper. What is it that you like, and what is it you don't like? How can we serve you better?

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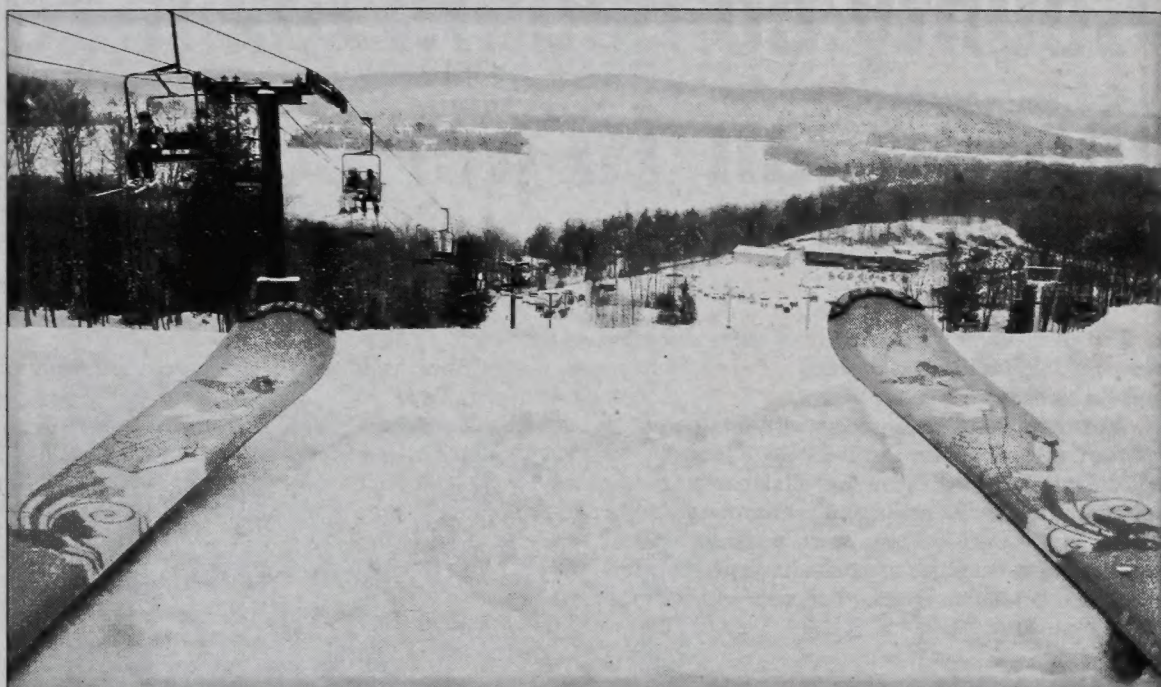
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Hitting the slopes

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Call me captain

THIS SPRING, I am building a boat.

If it turns out the way the blue prints suggest, it will be sleek, have fine lines, and cut the water like a canoe blade. In fact, it will be the ideal craft for fly fishing in the small to medium-sized lakes around here. Which is what I plan on doing.

But, between you and me, I'm not just excited about that. No sir, I'm also looking into the legalities of the whole thing. After all, once I'm at the helm, I might finally fulfill my lifelong dream of being a captain.

Trust me, I'm ready for it. Heck, I've been waiting my whole life for this opportunity.

I've studied countless episodes of the *Love Boat*; watched *Titanic* several times, learned a few things from Quint in the movie *Jaws*, and once tried to get past the first chapter of *Moby Dick* without any teacher forcing me. As a result, I think I know a thing or two about being a captain.

As you might suspect, this honour is not to be taken lightly. For one thing, I figure I'll be allowed to perform weddings and funerals on the open water. This might not seem very important but it is. It means that when I take a couple of fishing buddies out and they begin out-fishing me, I'll threaten to bind them in holy matrimony, unless, of course, they divulge the fly and technique that's working for them. If that doesn't force cooperation, I'll have the option of making them walk the plank.

If you abuse this kind of power you just might look like an idiot, however. That's why you need a really great captain's hat. I've settled for one of those Greek short brimmed caps with the gaudy

gold braid – the ones that go well with a dark sweater, epaulettes and a pipe.

Having the right hat adds to the authority and mystique of being a bona fide captain. So too does the judicious use of nautical terms like larboard, keel, and stern. I've also been practicing

salty phrases, which I imagine I'll perfect each time I hit my thumb with a hammer during the construction phase of my boat.

In my dreams, that boat and I will get along just fine. After a few shakedown voyages out on the briny blue, I'll probably get to know each of her quirks; how she groans and creaks when three gassy anglers are aboard; how gravity affects her when she's navigating down a waterfalls. Things like that.

Because of this I've decided to call her Hope. Admittedly, it's not a

very manly name, but I will counteract that by randomly spilling squid guts all over her deck. That's just one of the many great things a captain can do.

I'd also like at least one cannon at the prow but I suspect that our current firearms legislation might prevent this. So, in the event of this, I'll probably don a cutlass. And I'll build myself a peg leg, just in case I get carried away with it.

Yes, I've got big plans for Hope. Once I get her out on the open water this spring, I'll be the scourge of our local lakes. Before long, stories of our fly fishing exploits will abound. Local sailors will compose sea shanties and sing them on the wharves as they're coiling rope.

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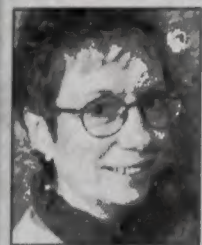
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When a stranger comes

SEAN HAD JUST HAPPENED to look outside when he saw him; a smallish man pushing a bicycle along the snow-packed highway shoulder. "He'll come in here for the coffee," was Sean's thought even before man and machine had turned into the store's driveway. In a minute the bike was propped up against the store's steps and the bells tinkled as Bill from Edmonton Alberta walked through the door.



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That was how the stranger introduced himself. And there was more. "Hi I'm Bill from Edmonton Alberta and I'm cycling across Canada and I wonder if I could have a free cup of coffee." All said with an ear-to-ear grin that stayed stuck on the fellow's face like flypaper to a finger.

Since Sean had been about to throw out the coffee for a fresh

pot, he agreed to the free cup while telling Bill from Alberta that it would be a little stale. Bill didn't mind at all and helped himself liberally to the sugar and cream, settling himself on one of the coffee bar stools. "It's good to rest," said Bill.

Apparently Bill had set out from the Maritimes in August and had planned to be back home by now, rather than still in central Ontario. A bad cold that turned to pneumonia had slowed him down in Quebec, forcing him to pay for a motel for awhile. The result was a lighter wallet and longer trip.

Sean asked the usual questions, beginning with why Bill had decided to make the journey. Bill replied that he was not trying to raise money for a cause; rather he was doing it as a personal challenge. Later in the conversation Sean learned that Bill's marriage had ended shortly before the trip began and that he was still paying rent on the apartment in Edmonton. He hoped to get back with his wife once he returned.

"So where do you stay?" asked Sean. "Do you have a tent or something?" Answering in the affirmative, Bill said he did indeed camp and liked to do so, except when it was really cold. He camped in people's yards and garages and most folks were pretty good.

"I was in a place called Carn-er-van last night," he told Sean, "And I thought I wasn't going to find a place. But finally some people put me up." Sean said he bet Bill had some great stories and maybe he'd be interested in talking to the local newspaper about his trip. Bill wanted no such thing. "I met a television guy who wanted to interview me but I said no. I'm the shy type."

It appeared Bill was in no hurry to rush back out into the overcast snowy landscape so Sean continued his own chores while Bill studied some maps he had pulled from his back pack. Every so often Sean would cast a glance his way. Small in build, well-proportioned, Bill had a wiry frame under the layers of clothing. His age could have been 38 or 50 and he had the sharp, pointy features of an elf with hair that stuck straight up once freed from his toque. Whether due to age or the elements, his face was leathery and had the high colour of an outdoorsman.

Over the course of about an hour, while Sean mopped the floor and straightened shelves, he heard nuggets of information about Bill's family and employment history. The words tended to flow in and out of Sean's head like an ocean's tide, leaving little behind until the next return. Bill seemed to like to talk, perhaps due to his solitary journey but also, Sean suspected, because Bill didn't always know what to share and what to keep to himself.

Finally there was no more coffee in the cup, the maps had been studied as much as they could be and it was time for Bill to move on. There were several hours of travelling time left. He had seemed surprised by the size of the hills he was encountering in this part of the country, an observation Sean thought odd for someone who had already travelled so far. Sean also noted that Bill spoke of having come from Thunder Bay and being in Bracebridge a short while ago. To Sean, Bill's itinerary seemed to be taking him on a rather circuitous route back to Alberta. But he said nothing. As he waved a friendly goodbye, Sean wondered what more there was to the story of Bill.



pic of the past

THE HILL ON VICTORIA STREET in Haliburton has always been a popular destination for young tobogganers. This photo from our files was taken in 1922. In the background is the original Victoria Street public school.

letters to the editor

Approval is bad news

To the Editor:

I'm writing to express my dismay at the granting of approval for the operation of a "portable" asphalt plant at the Bark Lake quarry. My question is this: if the approval is conditional for five years, why did the Ministry of Natural Resources grant a 10-year permit to Royel for taking up to 323,801,280 litres of water per year for aggregate washing?

It's unclear to me if the water is to be used in asphalt production as well as for aggregate washing. However, as Heather Ross of Environment Haliburton (EH!) is quoted as saying in Greg Hoekstra's article of Jan. 16, "Our issue is that this has become a big industrial project that was evaluated on the smallest of impact criteria."

Without mentioning other potential effects on the environment from this ever-growing site, taking that much water from our water table is staggering. Almost 324 million litres per year for 10 years! Also, will that water be recycled and cleaned on the site or sent, polluted, directly into our rivers and lakes?

The answers from the MNR and Ministry of the Environment that I've been reading in your excellent coverage do not reassure me in any way about this development.

Celia Donnelly
Toronto and Irondale

Calendars offensive

To the Editor:

On December 11, 2007, you printed an article entitled: Artists bare all for cultural foundation's sake. You say that the 12-page calendar features a variety of semi-nude poses and you show a picture of Mr. July, Grahame Wales, the hairy potter. Now, this picture is not a semi-nude (which means, not completely nude). Mr. Wales is completely naked, as naked as a Jay Bird. Shame!

It is disgusting to me that the Haliburton Highlands arts community has to stoop to this level to raise money for their foundation.

What kind of example are we setting for our children and grandchildren when parents and grandparents pose naked. It was not many years ago that this picture of Mr. Wales would have been classed as pornography.

My motto is "I will pray and fight for what is morally right." I am talking about morals that mean virtuous, good, modest and restrained. I am talking about morals as taught in God's holy word. Jesus taught very high moral standards when He said, in St. Matthew 5:28, "But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

I believe as adults that we must set high moral standards by our conduct, our attitudes, our actions, and yes, even in our thoughts. We are our brother's keeper. The Buck Stops Here.

Dave Switzer
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Past experiences with uranium were positive

To the Editor:

I give Robin Simpson and Christine Atrill credit for using the media to express their concerns surrounding uranium mining in Highlands East pertaining to environment and health issues.

Likewise I wish to use the media to broaden the focus from both a long-term resident's view and experience surrounding the environment and health issues.

This entire area contains small portions of most known minerals. It appears that the ore from which uranium is extracted has proven to be the most abundant and is what in mining terms is referred to as the "mother lode." The uranium content in minute portions is prevalent in all our drinking water and in the soil our crops are grown in. It has never caused health problems in the area and the generations before have never suffered. My family physician stated that to his knowledge in all Ontario and possibly Canada there are no medical references to any effect from the un-activated material that we are dealing with.

In the early 1940s a well-known resident of Wilberforce collected gallons of drinking water in glass jugs taken from the Canada Radium Mines shaft "tunnel" located off the Mumford Road. This water was shipped via rail to Toronto and used in the cancer clinics. As a young boy I personally saw this taking place.

In the early 1900s a large mining operation took place in full view of Wilberforce and a second one existed within minutes walk from our home. The cement abutments are still visible. Directly behind our home the remains of a test mill still stand. Dyno Mines' bunkhouse accommodated 125 miners with food and lodging.

I was engaged in the Dyno Mines as a lab technician in the radio-metric division. The ore samples were brought from underground and put through a unique process rendering it like powder. In the lab the percentage of uranium content was minutely recorded for extraction purposes and high and low grade was mixed for easier processing. I worked for 17 months daily with absolutely no protection.

The men working in the refinery mill did likewise. The miners underground wore usual mining clothing and helmets. They consistently drank the pure clear water collected from rock drips. At no time then and since have I met anyone affected from

the uranium ore.

The finished product was shipped to Port Hope and put through a process which caused it to be radioactive. When it left the Dyno Mines it appeared in powder form and was virtually inactive. Had it been detrimental to health, all precautions would have been taken. I have a vial of the finished product as it left the mines if anyone wishes to see it.

The evidence of past uranium mining in this entire area is hardly visible. However, during its operations, hundreds of men and women received employment - 425 in Dyno Mines alone. The spin off in additional employment and produce was very considerable.

My experience during the mining days and followed by 21 years as a real estate salesman indicated absolutely no effect on property values. On the contrary, it helped open up the area and brought increased values. The entire town site of Cardiff, Bicroft and Dyno Estates emerged because of the uranium mines. Its spin off is considerable and will remain good.

Concern is expressed in the paper as to where and for what purpose uranium is put to use. Should a munitions firm wish to locate anywhere in Highlands East that would provide up to 40 clean well paying jobs, would you stop it because some of the ammunition could be used on city streets to produce killing? Should a division of a motor car manufacturing firm apply to locate in Highlands East to produce a sports model, would you rigorously attempt to stop it because people are more likely to be killed in this model?

We cannot vouch for what the finished, activated uranium is used for. We do know that it is used in a controlled form to kill cancer cells in a body. This alone is a worthy cause.

Again I say that the un-activated uranium, as it would leave our mines, presents fewer health hazards than tobacco. I write this from my own experience and observation. Proper control is the key to any industry or product.

This area is desperately in need of industry to give employment. When this is attainable at virtually no cost to health and environment, should we support a door that endeavors to shut out what is so needed - employment?

Kenneth D. Sanderson
Wilberforce

Uranium fight belongs to everyone

To the Editor:

I beseech the people in Haliburton County who think uranium mining is good for a) jobs, b) the environment, and c) better than coal mining, to please, please get better informed about uranium. There are many websites, journals, experts, and tons of research on the subject. If you have a strong opinion for or against, please come armed to these pages with correct and up to date information. Reading letters from people who won't be affected by the proposed mines but have passionate opinions about how I should just suck it up is driving me crazy.

Although, I bet if the amount of mines proposed all go ahead we all will be affected. I mean who wants to cottage in uranium country?

The people of Highlands East have every right to be concerned. We should all be concerned about a substance that has the potential to pollute the Irondale River for many decades. Please, if you think I should "get over it," please tell me exactly why and give me specific information on how I should protect my investment like you protect yours.

Victoria Ward
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The A event winners of the Haliburton Curling Club's Skyline Bonspiel were John Ambrose, Brian Slater, Brian MacFarlane and Rick Vardzell. The event was sponsored by Haliburton Lumber.

Skyline Bonspiel is another winner

WAYNE HUSSEY

Special to The Echo

The 49th Annual Skyline Men's Curling Bonspiel was played at the Haliburton Curling Club this past weekend. Thirty-two teams from across the province competed for four trophies and top honours in a "skills button draw" contest.

Every team has already booked to come

back in 2009 for the 50th anniversary of the Skyline, which is Haliburton's longest-running bonspiel.

It is sure to be a very special occasion for the club, and the committee is already at work to make it the best ever.

The Curling Club sincerely thanks our local sponsors for helping to make this bonspiel so successful.



The team of Don Wetmore, Larry Holden, Peter Jennings and Sean Hawley took top honours in the B event, above.

Curling club president Chester Howse and bonspiel chairman Wayne Hussey, at left, would also like to thank the Haliburton IGA for sponsoring the 2008 skills button draw contest. The contest was won by the team of Moe Welch, Dave Harris, Walter Tose and Bob Cole.

More winners on pg. 11.

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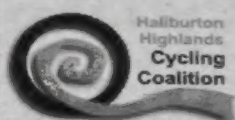
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Doug Mack, T.J. Rule, Gary Williams and David Rule won this year's C event.



The Haliburton team of Jim Bradley, David Gray, Arthur Dawson and Geoff Ainsley rounded out the winners' circle, earning the Dawson Insurance D event trophy.

Winter warms up with outdoor activities

Don't chill out... winter is a great time to get active, whatever the weather!

WinterActive is the name of a cross-Canada campaign that runs until the end of February. For local residents, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit notes there are many opportunities to get into the spirit of WinterActive and "get up, go out."

Traditional winter activities such as skating, building a snowman and skiing are fun for everyone, but should be done with an eye to safety.

Sue Shikaze, a health promoter with the Health Unit, says people can also get creative in their winter pursuits by playing snow pitch (slo-pitch in the snow), organizing a winter treasure hunt or making up a home-made version of winter golf.

The Health Unit has a free Get WinterActive Guide that provides fun-filled ideas, games and activities to get everyone moving together, with or without the snow. The Guide is available at www.hkpr.on.ca under the 'What's New' section or calling the Health Unit at (705) 457-1391.

In Haliburton County, there are other

ways to get WinterActive over the next few weeks:

- Winterfest Minden comes to town from February 16 to 18 at the Minden Community Centre. Activities for all ages take place through the weekend, including a 'sno-pitch' tourney, Frisbee golf, mini golf, outdoor skating, tobogganing and more. Call Rick Cox at (705) 286-1260 for full details.

- A Full Moon Labyrinth Walk takes place on Thursday, February 21, from 7:30-9 pm at the Rails End Gallery (located at 23 York St., on the edge of Head Lake Park) in Haliburton Village. People can come and walk a snow labyrinth under the full moon. Two days later on February 23 from 2 pm to 3:30 pm, Rails End Gallery will hold a free workshop on how to build a snow labyrinth.

- On February 15-16, come out to the annual Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival. Join in various winter activities, including skating, broomball, tobogganing, dog sledding and fun games. For more information, visit www.dorsetsnowball.com or call (705) 766-9968.



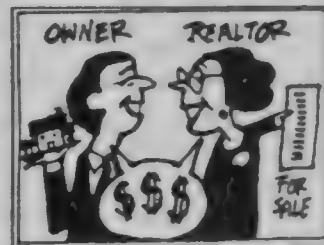
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Are you wild about turkeys?

The government is seeking public comment on proposed changes to a wild turkey management plan and the expansion of wild turkey hunting opportunities.

For the first time, a fall hunt is proposed in several areas of the province. An open spring turkey season is also proposed in three new areas of central Ontario.

"Wild turkeys are an important part of Ontario's biodiversity, and they have been successfully restored to suitable habitats across the province," said Natural Resources Minister Donna Cansfield. "The tremendous success of the wild turkey restoration program also means that we have the chance to offer hunters increased hunting opportunities."

Wild turkey populations in Ontario have rebounded and are healthy some 25 years after being reintroduced in the province.

In 1984, Ontario undertook efforts to bring back populations of this bird. The estimated provincial population of turkeys was greater than 70,000 birds in 2007.

The proposed changes to wild turkey management are available on the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry at ontario.ca/environmentalregistry, Registry Numbers 010-2424 and 010-2429.

What's stopping you from cycling in the Highlands?

Cycling coalition seeks input into master plan

The Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition is in the process of completing a Master Plan for Cycling in Haliburton County – and is looking for input from the community. A series of open houses are planned to ensure that we can receive input from citizens representing all areas of Haliburton County.

The purpose of the Cycling Master Plan is to:

- Provide a framework for integrating bicycling into transportation planning in Haliburton County and
- Develop a strategy to promote and encourage more cycling

At the Open House you can:

- Learn about the information gathered to date
- Learn about the Vision, Goals and Objectives of the Master Plan for Cycling
- View the potential cycling routes network throughout Haliburton County – and provide comments and/or suggestions on additional routes
- Identify cycling "hot spots" and/or places of concern
- Speak to members of the coalition and Master Plan Task Force and ask questions
- Complete a cycling survey
- Purchase a Cycling Routes map
- Provide your input to help direct the end result of the Master Plan for Cycling.

Cycling is an important part of an active and healthy community as well as an important draw for tourism. Haliburton County has great assets for cycling including



an extensive and varied road network, clean air, beautiful scenery, interesting destinations and in many cases low vehicle traffic volume. The Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition was formed in 2005 with a vision that Haliburton County provides and promotes safe and enjoyable cycling for all ages.

The coalition invites all residents to provide input. If you are not an active cyclist, it is still important to attend! The coalition would like to know what barriers you face that prohibit cycling and what would

assist you in cycling more.

The dates and times are as follows:

Monday, February 4
11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Haliburton Legion Schofield Room, Haliburton

Thursday February 7
11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Firefighters Hall - Stanhope

Tuesday February 12
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Lloyd Watson Community Centre, Wilberforce

Thursday February 14
11:30 am - 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Pritchard House, Minden

Saturday February 16
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- enhance economic development,
- involve partners, and
- have a lead organization with the capacity to undertake this initiative.

The HCDC invites eligible organizations to submit a letter of interest and executive summary outlining the initiative, the proposed budget, funding requested from HCDC, partners, impact on Haliburton County. HCDC contribution may be up to \$100,000.

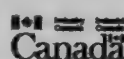
A short list of applicants will be invited to prepare a presentation for consideration. To discuss the process and receive guidelines please contact the HCDC office at:

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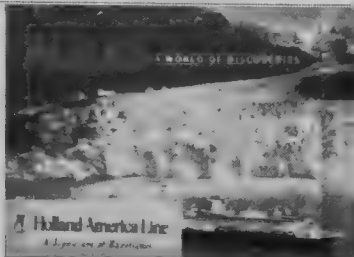
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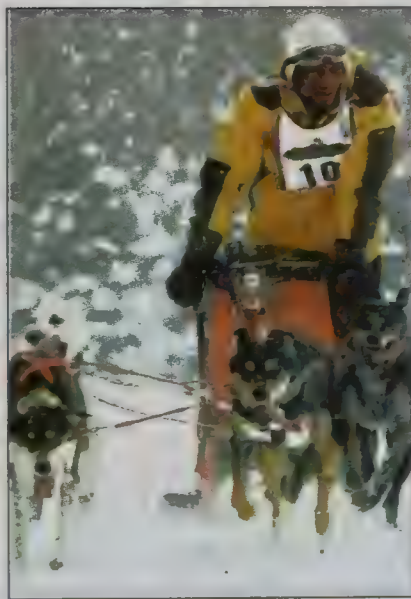
Competition was fierce at the seventh annual Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby, which was held at the Delta Pinestone Resort this past Saturday and Sunday.

At right, Bob Sabourin of Quebec races for the finish line in the four-dog race while being chased by competitor Mark Sierstema of Blythe, Ont.



THE DOG DAYS OF WINTER

- Photography by Greg Hoekstra -



Clockwise from left: Ottawa's Paul Harding competes in the skijoring event; three-year-old Logan Boehm holds on tight during the "kid and mutt" race; Jamaican racer Damion Robb takes in the Highlands scenery; a US team loads a dog back into a crate.



A husky rests up between events, keeping one eye on the competition.



Snowarama riders sled to success

The annual Easter Seals Snowarama fundraiser was held this past Saturday at Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, where the Haliburton Rotary Club raised over \$10,000 in support of children with physical disabilities.

This year's event saw more than 20 riders help raise money in support of Easter Seals.

Each snowmobiler who raised \$175 in pledges got a free day on the trails, a free tank of gas courtesy of Thermo-Shell Fuels and a free lunch.

All money raised during the event will go towards helping kids with physical disabilities succeed by providing them with costly equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers and braces.

A power wheelchair can cost between \$6,000 and \$25,000, depending on the child's needs. Building a wheelchair ramp at home can cost up to \$8,000. By helping families pay for such costs Easter Seals allows children to experience independence, acceptance and achievement.

Rotarian Art Dawson, playfully known as "Snowarama Art" to some, also went above and beyond the call of duty for this year's event.

Dawson single-handedly raised more than \$4,000 by canvassing friends, family members, and local businesses throughout Haliburton County.

For more information on Easter Seals call 1-800-668-6252.



The annual Snowarama fundraiser for Easter Seals was held this past Saturday at Haliburton Forest. The event raised more than \$10,000 in support of children with physical disabilities. Art Dawson, a.k.a. "Snowarama Art," of the Haliburton Rotary Club (right in photo) single-handedly raised more than \$4,000 in pledges. Dawson is shown above with Stephanie Lacey, district manager for the Easter Seal Society.

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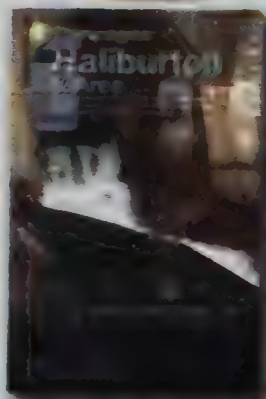
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Lucky to be alive

*One week after escaping from a devastating house fire
Sandra and Kevin Edmunds share their story*

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

All things considered, Sandra Edmunds and her 12-year-old son Kevin are lucky to be alive.

Last Monday afternoon the two had the harrowing experience of watching their Haliburton home, and all of their possessions, burn completely to the ground. But the fire, which started when an electrical receptacle overheated, could have been much more devastating according to firefighters who attended the scene.

"The firefighters said if it had of happened at night we would have all been dead. It would have happened that quickly," a shaken Sandra tells the *Echo*. "Being a log home, with lots of wood, the house just went ka-boom."

Sandra says the fire started sometime around noon, during a very brief period when she had left the home to pick up her daughter, Amelia.

"I had just gone to pick up my daughter from the high school, but by the time I got back the whole house was engulfed. The flames were 50 feet in the air. It was 20 minutes...tops," she recalls.

Meanwhile, young Kevin remained in the house, sitting in the basement playing a video game. It wasn't until he had to go to the washroom that he first discovered the blaze that had erupted upstairs, and, oddly enough, the "call of nature" may be what saved his life.

"I went up to go to the washroom and saw smoke coming out of my mom's room. I peeked in and saw a huge fire on a bag of clothes," says Kevin. "So I grabbed the phone, ran out of the house, and called the dogs."

Kevin says he and the dogs ran outside into the dog pen, where he then called 911. Once authorities were alerted of the fire, Kevin then tore down the fence in the dog pen - fearing that the fire may spread and hurt the dogs - and then ran as far from the house as possible.

"I wasn't wearing anything except pants and a shirt. No socks or anything. But I ran into the forest and slid down the hill to the bottom of the driveway. That's when the fire truck got there."

As Sandra and daughter returned to the home she remembers seeing a fire truck pull in front of them and head east on Highway 118.

"I remember saying something like, 'what a terrible way to start the day.'"

But then, only a few kilometres later, Sandra encountered a police road block and realized that a mother's worst nightmare was coming true.

"I was just terrified, because I didn't know at that time if Kevin was still in the house," she says.

As it turns out, Kevin was not harmed at all in the fire. After being taken into an ambulance so that paramedics could check his blood pressure, mother and son were reunited and spent the next few hours at the home of their neighbours, Doreen and Alex.

"Our neighbours, who didn't know us well at all, took us in right away. They gave the kids soup, and gave Kevin a coat and boots. They let us stay there for quite a while."

And then, the phone calls started...and continue to this day.

"We've had so many calls from people offering to help. And what amazes me is that I've only been in Haliburton for a year and a half, so I haven't really established any long-term relationships," Sandra says.

"I'm just overwhelmed. Having recently come from the city, I keep thinking, 'If this happened in the city we would have been on our own...we would have been buried in debt.'"

"Yesterday my husband and I spent most of the day crying. And it wasn't because of the loss of things, it was because of all the phone calls. They're really sincere, they actually mean it, and for that we're just so thankful."

Amongst those who have helped the family to date are the staff at IGA, who have started a fund for the family, the staff at V&S where Sandra works, the Lakeside Baptist Church, the Red Cross, and the 4Cs clothing depot and food bank - to name just a few.

In addition, both schools have been very supportive

through this tough time. Amelia was exempted from her exams by the high school, while Kevin's class at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary is planning a bake sale to raise money for the family.

Of course, like any fire, Sandra says the most precious things lost in the fire are the irreplaceable ones.

"I had a trunk full of all the kids' memorabilia, with photos and drawing that they did when they were two years old, and all that's gone. That's what hurts the most," she says. "We also lost family heirlooms...but I guess we'll just have to start out fresh. Start our own traditions."

Sandra's common-law husband, Bill Tripp, who works at TIM-BR Mart, and son Alex Wild, who works at Lumber Lane sawmill, also lost their tools in the fire, which is another difficult setback. Amelia, a member of the Silver Flutes band, lost several flutes and a keyboard, while Kevin lost his extensive Spiderman collection, which took years to build.

"He had every Spiderman action figure or piece of clothing you could imagine," says Sandra.

However, as much as the fire has devastated the family, Sandra still maintains that the most important thing is that her family was spared from harm's way. And, of course, that her young son handled himself so well under the pressure.

"He had everything under control. The one person who I would have thought would have panicked and he did everything right," she says smiling, while nudging her son on the shoulder.

"I don't know...I guess it was just basic instinct," he offers back with a faint smile of his own.

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Proud Grandma: Bonnie Walling



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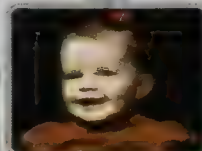
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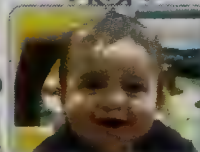
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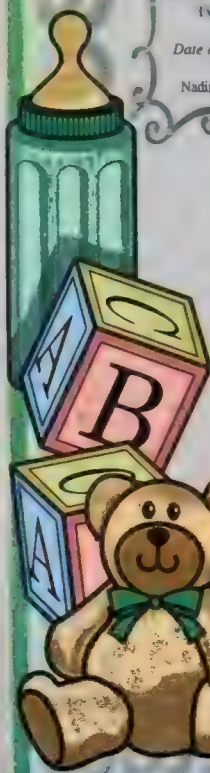
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Legion hosts fun events for all

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The Robbie Burns Dinner held on January 25 was just great. Many thanks go out to the Ladies Auxiliary and their helpers. The Robbie Burns dinner is a time honoured ritual that has remained unchanged since 1796. It is the birthday of one of the greatest poets the world has known who was born on January 25, 1759.

It is also time to get ready for the upcoming Pat and Phyllis Gallen Memorial Lake Trout Ice Fishing Derby to be held February 9. Mark it on your calendar. With the cold weather we are having the lakes should be frozen. There will be cash prizes for first, second, and third places and there will also be a prize table.

Find your best lake – Farquhar, Wilbermere, Miskwabi, Esson or Grace. Mark the best fishing spot and be ready to catch the big one. Remember on Esson and Grace Lakes you can have only one line and there is a slot size. Derby official ruling is final.

You can register for this fun event at the Legion before closing on February 8 or at the Fishes Lunch Box before 10 a.m. on February 9. Registration is only \$10 per person (all of which is re-turned to participants in the form of prizes – entrant must be present at weigh-in to receive prizes) weigh in time is 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Wilberforce Legion. All entrants must provide a fish sample to the MNR at the time of weigh-in. Failure to comply with officials will result in disqualification. Any persons or businesses that would like to donate prizes for the prize table, please call John at 448-9960.



GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

The new kid in town

Proud new parents Nathan Case and Alyssa Ross of Haliburton welcomed their son, Noah Jackson Ross, into the world at 8:36 a.m. on January 25. Weighing 6 pounds and 8 ounces, Noah was the first baby born at the Haliburton Hospital in 2008, making him our New Year's baby. Congratulations to the parents from all of us here at the Echo.

The second Sunday of the month is February 10, and as the second Sunday the Ladies Auxiliary and members of the Royal Canadian would like to invite you to join them for brunch. The time of this event is from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is adults \$6, children \$3, under 6 years old are free.

Lest We Forget:

Janette Packard has just past a milestone of life and celebrated it at our Legion last Saturday Night, Happy birthday Jannette. Dot Bebbington is doing well and is in Haliburton Hospital. Our condolences are sent to Kieth Jehu on the loss of his beloved wife Jenette Jehu.

Up-Coming Events:

January 28 Bid Euchre 7:00 p.m.
January 30 Open Darts 7:30 p.m.
January 31 Open Euchre 1:00 p.m.
February 1 Open Pool 1:00 p.m.
February 2 Meat Draw 3:00 p.m.
February 2 Karaoke starts at 9:00 p.m.
February 5 Joint Legion Executive meeting and Ladies Auxiliary Executive
February 9 Phyllis and Pat Gallen Lake Trout Ice Fishing Derby
February 10 Brunch, Adults \$6:00, Children, \$3:00. Under 6 yrs. free.

Kindergarten Registration

Junior and Senior Kindergarten Registration Week
January 21 to January 25, 2008

Register at your local elementary school

- Kindergarten programs operate on all-day/alternate-day basis
- Junior Kindergarten students MUST be 4 years of age by December 31, 2008
- Senior Kindergarten students MUST be 5 years of age by December 31, 2008 (only for children not currently enrolled in Junior Kindergarten program)
- Contact the school in your attendance area for further registration details
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French Immersion Programs

Information nights will be held at each of the schools offering French Immersion:

Haliburton: Stuart Baker ES January 24, 2008 6:30 pm
Muskoka: Monck PS January 22, 2008 7:00 pm
Riverside PS January 23, 2008 7:00 pm
Lindsay: Leslie Frost PS January 24, 2008 7:00 pm

For more information please contact the school in your area. School phone numbers can be found at www.tidsb.on.ca

Registration forms are available at each location and must be returned to appropriate school by January 25, 2008

Potential French Immersion students may register at their local school for JK or they may register for JK at the French Immersion School in their area. After March 31st, registration of out-of-area JK students at French Immersion schools will only be permitted if space is available.



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Neil Campbell will present the first workshop on February 7 from 5 to 7 p.m. He is a long-time journalist formerly with *The Globe and Mail* and *Canadian Press* and is now a columnist with the *Minden Times*.

Every week Campbell shares his ideas, rants, wit and passion with readers. He has also introduced them to the Brown Dog Jiggs (who apparently writes the column when Neil is feeling indisposed). His workshop will focus on the art of writing personal essays or columns: how they come into being and what to do with them when they appear.

Brenda Peddigrew will facilitate a second workshop on Friday, February 22 at 5 p.m. It will be a hands-on workshop she has called "Write Deeply: Seven Practices That

Bring Your Ideas to Life." Peddigrew brings years of distilled experience as a writer and facilitator to this workshop. She is a published poet, essayist and columnist and although formerly from Newfoundland, she now says she "draws inspiration from the beauty and challenge of living in the Highlands."

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Community pays homage to Robbie Burns

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Robert Burns was born January 25, 1759 and by 1786 he would start to shine. Like a Newton of inventions or an Orwell of books, Burns was well known for his poems, lyrics and charming good looks.

As a boy growing up one would say he was poor, on the farm in Lochlea, Scotland much work he'd endure. By the age of 15, Burns wrote his first licks and his muse for his odes were a number of chicks.

Burns passed away at a young 37, but he and his 600 works float their way up to heaven. As a national poet he was adored by the masses and the Legion's Bill Elliot started the evening just as Burns' would, with a toast to the lasses.



Bass drummer Fred Waller of the Haliburton Highlands Pipes & Drums band pounds away as the Queens Band from Queens University perform a number of dances, right.



Minden native Brooke Mansfield performs an Irish dance to an appreciative crowd at the Legion.



Piper Earl Cooper and the H.H. Pipes and Drums band put on a fantastic toe taping performance.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

- **DATE:** Wednesday, February 13th, 2008
- **TIME:** 11:00 am.
- **LOCATION:** Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-08-001 – Lands of Peck and Jones

- **Purpose and Effect:** to permit the construction of a Private Cabin located in the WR4 zone.
- Permit a private cabin in the WR4 zone to be located in the front yard abutting the shoreline
- **Location:** Part Lot 12, Concession 3, Lot 37, Plan 511 Dudley Township (Long Lake – Precipice Road)

ANY PERSON is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. **A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.**

FURTHER INFORMATION: including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Date: January 29th, 2008

Patricia Martin, BES, MCIP, RPP
Secretary – Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment



Municipality of Dysart et al TENDERS FOR MAINTENANCE OF EVERGREEN CEMETERY AND

HEAD LAKE PARK, ROTARY BEACH,
BOARDWALK, SAM SLICK PARK AND
MEDICAL CENTRE

Tenders will be accepted at the Dysart et al Municipal Office on or before 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 27th, 2008.

Tender forms and specifications are available at the Municipal Office
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Municipality of Dysart et al
135 Maple Avenue
P.O. Box 389
Haliburton, Ontario
K0M 1S0
Tel: (705) 457-1740
Fax: (705) 457-1964

Tammy McKelvey,
CAO/Clerk.



NOTICE

The Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended

Pursuant to Section 238 (2) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended Council for the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to enact a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings at the regular Council meeting scheduled on February 12, 2008. The Council meeting commences at 9:00 a.m. and is held at the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.

Irene S. Cook, CMO
Clerk/CEMC
Box 295, Wilberforce, Ontario K0L 3C0
1-705-448-2981 phone
1-705-448-3211 fax

Nesbitt fire hits close to home for Guilford locals

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2288

News of the Nesbitt fire, which destroyed their home on County Road 7 has of course reached me, but with no details. I'm sure that when a fundraiser is arranged we'll all give what we can to help, even though what is most precious in

possessions is gone.

Community Care at 457-2941 still makes arrangements for travel to medical appointments for visits if you wish. Wheels to meals is another need which can be met. Give the above number a call.

Burns' night was once again successful entertainment, and several Guilford residents had a part in helping out. Jim Milne

of the Haliburton Highlands Pipes & Drums arranged the program. Earl and Kathleen with Brian Sachs and Bev MacDonald made music on fiddles, a mandolin, and a piano while the buffet was served. Helen Elliot made the haggis while her husband Bill read the Immortal

See **Highland dancers** page 23



Corporation of the Township of
Algonquin Highlands

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE BUCKSLIDE DAM BRIDGE

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the replacement of the Buckslide Dam Bridge, located on Buckslide Road, approximately 2.0km south of Boshkung Lake Road.

The project is being initiated in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Manual, dated June 2000. The Municipal Class EA applies to municipal infrastructure projects including roads, bridges, water and wastewater projects. This project is designated as a Schedule 'B' undertaking, under the Environmental Assessment Act.

As part of the process public and agency consultation is an important component of the Environmental Assessment process. Public and agency input are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of the project.

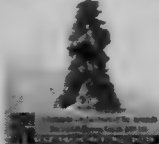
Subject to comments received and the receipt of necessary approvals, the Township of Algonquin Highlands intends to proceed with the planning, design, and construction of this project.

If you are interested in receiving further information on this project, please contact the following individuals:

Matt MacDonald, P.Eng.
Project Manager
G.D. Jewell Engineering Inc.,
R.R.#7, 5503 Highway 62, Box 7200
Belleville, ON K8N 4Z7
Phone: 613-969-1111
Fax: 613-969-8988

Brian Whetstone, CRSS
Manager of Operations
Township of Algonquin Highlands
R.R.#2, North Shore Road
Minden, ON K0M 2K0
Phone: 705-489-2379
Fax: 705-489-3491

Reach For The Future



For the **tenth** year the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation decorates trees located in the front lobbies of the **Health Care Facilities** with tags sponsored by gifts from our generous supporters.

The Foundation will use the proceeds to invest in the technology for diagnostic imaging in both our facilities.

Our Sincere thanks to the following for assisting the Foundation in our 2007 "Reach For The Future" Campaign

Honorary Chairmen: Dr. Bob Heyes and Dr. David Fiddler

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If you would still like to help us "Reach for The Future" your gift can be sent to **Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, Box 1413, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0 or Box 30, Minden, ON K0M 2K0**, you can deposit your gift in the donation boxes at the Minden and Haliburton Facilities, or you can donate online at www.hhhs.on.ca/foundation.htm.



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ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE

NOTICE OF STATEMENT OF CLAIM

TO: HALIBURTON SLED RENTALS LTD.

An action has been commenced against you in this Court by Dixie Lee Tremblay and Darah Tremblay and Alexandra Tremblay by their Litigation Guardian Diane Violette, as a result of injuries which occurred while taking part in an excursion offered through the Deerhurst Resort by Haliburon Sled Rentals Ltd. known as the "Rhino ride" on a Yamaha Rhino vehicle which incident occurred on July 13, 2005 in the Town of Deerhurst, in the Province of Ontario.

It has been ordered that service of the Statement of Claim on Haliburon Sled Rentals Ltd. be effected by this advertisement. If you wish to defend the action, you or an Ontario lawyer acting for you must prepare a Statement of Defence in Form 18A prescribed by the Rules of Civil Procedure, serve it on the Plaintiffs' lawyer at the address shown below, and file it, with proof of service, in the office of the Superior Court of Justice at 155 Elm Street, Sudbury, Ontario, P3C 4Y9 on or before March 3rd, 2008.

IF YOU FAIL TO DEFEND THIS ACTION, JUDGMENT MAY BE GIVEN AGAINST YOU IN YOUR ABSENCE AND WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE TO YOU.

Date: December 31, 2007

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Solicitor for the Plaintiffs

Community mourns the loss of Margaret Harrison

community news

wilberforce

Hilda Clark
448-2818

Many are saddened that Margaret (Fletcher) Harrison is no longer here to be part of our community. Margaret died at the hospital in Haliburton on Monday, January 21. She had been hospitalized for several weeks.

Margaret was the Officer for Variety Club in Toronto before her retirement to live in a home overlooking Wilbermere Lake. Widowed early on, she became very involved in Wilberforce life. She was an active member and leader at the United Church. For many years Marg was a strong part of the Monmouth Seniors Club including serving as president. She was active on the fair board of the Agricultural Society. She was one of the first board members of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild, serving very competently as its first secretary for several years.

After moving to an apartment at Maple View in the village she became a good friend and neighbour to many in that complex. One of her frustrations recently was that her gradually worsening vision deprived her of the joys of reading and written correspondence. Her friends especially those at Maple View made such a difference as did her visits to her sisters.

Margaret was predeceased by her husband Robert. She was the dear mother of Robert of Brantford and Edward (Ann), grandmother to eight and great grandmother to four. She was sister of Sally, Bernie, Helen and Evelyn and predeceased by Joan, Robert, Belle, Mary, Susie, Betty and John. She was a special aunt to many nieces and nephews.

Margaret was remembered at her church the Wilberforce United at morning service on Sunday, January 27 where her favourite hymns were sung and a eulogy given by Gerald Shackleton. Gerald and his late

wife Bessie were longtime close friends of Margaret.

In accordance with her wishes there will be no Funeral Service. Memorial donations may be made to the Wilberforce United Church or to the charity of your choice and can be arranged through Gordon A Monk Funeral Home in Minden.

Another quilt is on the frames at the Outpost. It is being quilted by volunteers and will be raffled to raise funds to operate our museum. All quilters are welcome to give an hour or two of time to help with this project. Call 448-2818 for information on quilting times which vary.

The annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Luncheon is coming up next week at St. Margaret's Church. That's Tuesday, February 5 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Only \$5 per person for pancakes and sausages, tea or coffee.

The W. Heritage Guild held its Annual Meeting on January 21 at the Outpost. Last year was a productive one for the Guild in its work of preserving and promoting things historical. The WHG appreciates all contributions to its efforts in 2007. Flo Taylor is thanked for her service. She has resigned after seven years on the Board.

The 2008 Board will be Gerald Shackleton, Nadeen Sanderson, Ken Sanderson, Marlene Robertson, Valerie French, Flo Elliott, Cathy Agnes, Hilda Clark and new member Joan Noble.

Many are planning to attend the meeting tonight about the expected Library closures in Highlands East.

An open house will make information available between 6 and 7 p.m. We understand the 7 to 9 session will begin with presentations by Haliburton County Chair and Minden Hills Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch and County CAO Jim Wilson. Other presentations will follow.

I have learned that there will be a time for questions at the end. Do hope all of our Highlands East council will be there and that the county council and appointed library board will hear what people want and are willing to pay for.

Highland dancers entertain on Robbie Burns Day

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Memory of Burns, to which we toasted. A toast was also proposed 'to the lasses.'

Bill also addressed the haggis in one of Burns' famous poems. All of us enjoyed the Queen's University students who came for Highland Dancing and to pipe their expert rendering of Scottish tunes. The H.H. Pipes and Drums piped several sets as well.

Breanne Mansfield's students of highland dance delighted us all with their Irish Washerwoman, Sailors Hornpipes, the

Lilt, the Village Maid and other highland dances.

Our deepest sympathy once again is needed, this time for the family of Glen McGuire. Our children and hers used to play together and were in school together as well. Internment will be in the spring at Maple Lake United Church cemetery.

A birthday party was held for Wayne Fawcett on Saturday Jan. 26. Both sons, Nicholas of London, Ontario and Graeme of Windsor with his friend Carolyn were able to be home for the happy occasion.

community calendar

What's happening in the Highlands

CURRENT EVENTS

- **Jan. 31:** The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129 Ladies Auxiliary will hold their General meeting on Thursday January 31st at 1pm. Members please plan to attend.
- **Feb 3:** Sacred Circle Dance - Sat Feb 9 at Fleming College in Haliburton village. All adults welcome to dance for body spirit and mind. Theme of LOVE. No experience or partner needed, dances are high energy or slow and meditative, music from various cultures. Please bring a donation to Sheena's Place, a Toronto organization helping those with eating disorders. For info, call Sharon 286-1840 or Angela 455-9000.
- **Feb 13:** Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group meeting Wed. February 13, Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (Please enter by the rear door.) Doors open at 6pm for business and chat, speaker at 7pm - HHGG Member Sharon Middlehurst on "The History of Quilts". Everyone welcome. No charge. Refreshments available. For more information please contact Gail Leach-Wunker at 705-286-2225.
- **Feb 16:** There will be a "Pampered Chef" Fundraiser at the Cobocook Train Station Sat. Feb. 16/08 at 2:00 p.m. See some great cooking tools and enjoy FREE refreshments! 20% of all sales go towards the ongoing restoration of the Cobocook Train Station. For further information, contact Barb Curry at 454-1878.
- **Feb 21:** Well Baby Drop-in Clinic, Haliburton Well Baby Drop-in Clinic. Visit with a Family Health Nurse to see how your baby is growing and developing. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton (Halco Plaza) from 10 am to noon. For more information, call the Health Unit at 457-1391. • **Feb 21:** Haliburton County Food Handler Course. Event is held to certify food handlers in safe food handling methods. Cost \$20/person. Held at Health Unit office (191 Highland Street, Unit 301) in Haliburton Village from 9 am to 3 pm. Call (705) 457-1391 for more details and to register. • **Mar 20:** Haliburton Well Baby Drop-in Clinic. Visit with a Family Health Nurse to see how your baby is growing and developing. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton (Halco Plaza) from 10 am to noon. For more information, call the Health Unit at 457-1391. • **Mar 20:** Haliburton County Food Handler Course. Event is held to certify food handlers in safe food handling methods. Cost \$20/person. Held at Health Unit office (191 Highland Street, Unit 301) in Haliburton Village from 9 am to 3 pm. Call (705) 457-1391 for more details and to register.

ONGOING EVENTS

- A pictorial essay of Haliburton County. A new picture every day at <http://jackbush.my-expressions.com>
- Adult Badminton - Mondays, 8-10 p.m. Runs until May 26/08 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Call 286-1765.
- Al-Anon Meetings - Haliburton Highlands Meeting. Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. George's Anglican Church (side door entrance), Haliburton; Minden Al-anon Meeting, Mondays, 8 p.m. at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home meeting room (north entrance), Minden.
- Alzheimer's Disease - "Caring with Confidence" group for caregivers meets on the 4th Thurs. of the month at the Haliburton Hospital Boardroom at 10-12. Call Dorothy or Linda at 457-1742.
- Aqua Size for Seniors or Adults with disabilities - If you are interested, call Community Care 457-2941.
- Celebrate Recovery Meeting - is for everyone with hurts, habits & hang-ups. Lakeside Baptist Church starting at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) Call 457-2851.
- Climbing Club - Tuesday evenings at Camp Medeba in West Guilford. Families 6:30 - 8 pm, children and parents climb together. Youth & Adults 8 pm - 9 pm. Fee: \$2. per person. Sponsored by Point in Time Centre for Children. Youth and Parents. Call Donna at 457-5345, ext. 314 or email: donna@pointintime.ca
- Contract Bridge - Bid Euchre - Cribbage: For Seniors (55+) or a physically disabled adult (18+). Community Care Haliburton County offers Contract Bridge Mondays at 1 p.m., Bid Euchre Thursdays at 1 p.m. & Cribbage Fridays at 1 p.m. Call Ida at 457-2941.
- Do you enjoy euchre, bridge, & other card games - Come to the Card Night at the Fort Irwin's Residents' Assoc. Hall (FIRA) on Tues from 7-9 p.m. For more info call Ken Fuller at 754-3699.
- Easy Fit Yoga for Mature Adults - offered by Community Care every Thursday with instructor Gail Holness. Call 457-2941 for more info.
- Emergency Response System for seniors that want the security of accessing help without reaching the telephone. Call 457-2941.
- For women experiencing any type of abuse, call the YWCA Crisis Line at 286-6442 or (800) 461-7656.
- Highlands Squash Club (beside the Haliburton Arena) offers Recreational Squash. Tues. & Thurs. evenings from 7:30 to 9:30. Free lessons for beginners. Membership avail. Call Glen at 457-2862 or Don at 457-1110.
- Indoor Walking - Walk for your health! Inside the high school, 7 to 8 a.m. Sponsored by "Heart & Stroke." Phone Kelly & Jackie Metcalf at 457-3756.
- Indoor Walking in Minden at Archie Stouffer on all school days, 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. now until May/08. Call Maxine, 286-2008 or Morris, 286-6079. Sponsored by Heart & Stroke.
- Living with Cancer - A Support Group meets on the 3rd Tues. of the month from 1-3 p.m. For info call Linda or Dorothy at 457-1742.
- Mac user group starting up! Anyone interested in meeting once a month please email halburtondance@sympatico.ca (in conjunction with maccs@work)
- Meals On Wheels - by Community Care Haliburton County offers nutritiously balanced frozen meals. Call 457-2941.
- North Entrance Lodge - meets the third Wednesday of each month, from now until June 2008 at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in this great fraternity please call Roger Hillier at 447-2767.
- Ontario Breast Screening Program - for women 50 years & over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays & Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. Call (705) 328-6175.
- Ontario Early Years - Parents & children 0-6 years drop-in & see us every other Thurs. at the Lloyd Watson Centre from 9:30 a.m. - 12. Call 457-2989.
- Rails End Gallery - Tea At Three, every Wednesday at 3 p.m., 23 York St. Haliburton. A weekly discussion group for adults who like to talk about art. Call Laurie at 457-2330 for info.
- Rails End Gallery - Members' Open Studio, every Thursday, 1-3 p.m. informal time to paint/draw & commune with fellow artists. Call 457-2330 for cost & info.
- Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton Br. 129 - Every Wed. night is Bingo night. Early Bird at 7:00 p.m.
- Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Br. 636, holds its General Business Meeting on the first Wed. of each month at 7:30 p.m.
- The Haliburton Highland Twirlers - a modern square dancing group, meets every Wed. at 7:30 p.m. in the gym at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School. Call Bob Jackson, 457-2552.
- The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome. Contact Marian Gillanders, 489-3574, for information on meeting location.
- The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group meets the 3rd Tues. of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. Call Rick Ratcliff at 286-6899.
- The Minden Women's Institute - Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month, now until June/08 at 1:30 p.m. Contact Pam 754-1656 or Mary 286-1158 for upcoming meeting location.
- TDPS - Take off pounds sensibly. Join us Mondays at Community Care. First meeting free. Weigh-in at 9:30-10 a.m. followed by short meeting. Call Don or Mary at 447-2420.
- Township of Algonquin Highlands - For adults & seniors in the community, Euchre at Club 35 on Mondays at 7 p.m. For more info call: 489-2945.
- Township of Algonquin Highlands - Writers Circle every other Sat. at Club 35 at 9 a.m. The circle is open to writers of all capabilities. (experienced or emerging). Call: 489-3878.
- Skating - Moms & Tots Skating (Free) Wednesdays 10am-12pm. or Adults Skate (\$1.00) Wednesdays Noon-2 pm, both held at the SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden.
- Security Check Phone Call - Community Care Haliburton County has volunteers to give seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults a Security Check Phone Call. Call Judy at 457-2941.
- Weight Lifting for Mature Adults offered by Community Care - Every Tuesday - individual evaluations and individual programs designed by a Can-Fit Pro certified personal trainer. Call 457-2941 for information.

Events listings are provided FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@halburtonecho.ca, or brought in to the office. Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands.



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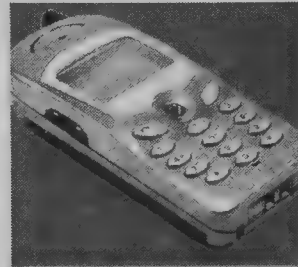
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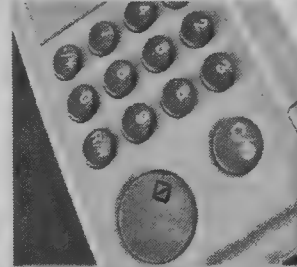
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- June, Bob and Lee Anna White and Peter Burchill and Shanna Quigley

Deaths

CUMMINGS, R. Bruce - (Served in the Canadian Armed Forces from 1955 until he retired in 1982 at the Rank of Master Corporal)

Passed away peacefully at home in Halls Lake on Monday, January 21, 2008 at the age of 75.

Loving husband of the Late Ruth Betty Cummings (nee Kneller). Dear father of Heather (Fern) Le Blanc, Lillian (Bruce) Farmer, Josie (Chuck) Mason, Rick (Dee) Cummings and Andy Cummings. Loving grand-dad of Nicole, Darlene, Jason, Julie-Ann, Ian, Sarah and Rob and great grand-dad of Tyler, Jordan, Gabriel, Gavin, Kaitlyn and Zack. Survived by his brothers Ron and Jim and predeceased by Alex.

Cremation has taken place. Private family arrangements.

Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or to the Heart and Stroke foundation would be appreciated and can be arranged through the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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Nancy Brink

Deaths

GILMORE, Norman William - (Veteran of World War II, Charter Member of the RCL Branch #441 Kinmount, Past Master Somerville Lodge # 451, and Member of the Scottish Rite.)

Born on October 23, 1919 and passed away at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on January 16, 2008, at the age of 88.

Beloved husband of the late Beryl (nee Peacock) (2006). Loving father of Cynthia Gilmore, and Glen (predeceased 1987). Brother-in-law of Barbara Craig and special friend of Bob Nesbitt. Dear uncle of Pat Radiff (Max), David Craig (Betty) and Jack Craig.

Cremation has taken place. A Memorial Gathering to Celebrate this kind, humorous, gentle man's life will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 441, Kinmount, (upstairs) on Saturday, February 2, 2008 starting at 1:00 pm.

Memorial Donations to the Kinmount and District Health Care Centre, Kinmount United Church or to the Alzheimers Society would be appreciated and can be arranged through the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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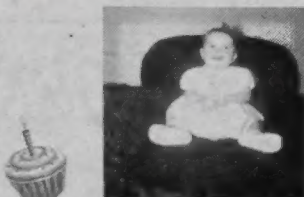
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Deaths

HARRISON, Margaret Jane (Nee Fletcher) - Retired Office Manager for Variety Club, Toronto and resident of Mapleview Apartments.

Passed away peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Monday, January 21, 2008. In her 93rd year.

Beloved wife of the late Robert. Dear Mother of Robert of Brantford, Edward (Ted) and Ann of Minden. Loving Nan to David and Terri, Gillian and Nelson, Johnny and Sara, Brandi and Curtis, and great grandmother of Carlie, Dayton, Teghan and Beckam. Dear sister of Sally, Bernie, Helen, Evelyn and predeceased by Joan, Robert, Belle, Mary, Susie, Betty and John. Special Aunt to James Harrison of Orillia and Shirley Andrechuk of Courtice and many nieces and nephews.

In accordance with Margaret's wishes, there will be no Funeral Service. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Wilberforce United Church or to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated and can be arranged through the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

McGUIRE, Ilen (Nee Pripp) - Passed away suddenly at Lakeridge Health, Oshawa on Wednesday, January 23, 2008. In her 78th year.

Dear mother of Conway, David, Lenne and her husband Terry, Shane and his wife Brenda, Erin, Kelly and her husband Roger. Loving grandmother of Jason, Jeremy, Jocelyn, Christopher, Ashley, Douglas, Alex, Kylie, Melissa, Amanda, Christopher, Holly, Emily and great grandmother of Kayla, Kristin, Joshua, Rochelle, Fred, Taylor, Thorne, Keanen, Kya, Mirabelle, Ingrid and Ilen.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 pm Funeral Service in the Chapel on Saturday, January 26, 2008 at 1:00 pm. Spring Interment at Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. Reception to follow in the family centre at the Funeral Home.

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HUTCHINSON, Aleck, PhD - At Linhaven Home in St. Catharines, with family at his side, on Sunday, January 20, 2008, Aleck Hutchinson of Vineland Station, in his 94th year. Beloved husband of Doreen Croft Hutchinson and dear father of David (Gail) of Ottawa, and their children Lauren, Julie, Steven and Jessica; Donald (Judy) of Bloomfield Hills, MI and their children Adam, Sarah and Andrew; Neil (Leslie) of Oshawa; Anne (Paul) of North Gower and their children Carolyn, Christian and Alexa; Wanda (Ian) of Dorchester and their children James and Daniel.

Always a farmer at heart, Aleck was fortunate enough to combine his love of growing apples with a career as a research scientist with the Ontario Department of Agriculture at Vineland, Ontario, after short careers as a schoolteacher in Alberta and then as a serviceman in the RCAF overseas. At retirement he planted two acres of blueberries which he continued to farm for over 20 years into his 90's. He remained an active member of the Ontario Fruitgrowers Association and the Ontario Order of Foresters well into his retirement. Aleck was born in Weyburn, SK and moved to Evansburg, AB as a young boy. He served in the RCAF from 1942-1946 as an airborne radar technician and later instructor stationed on D-Day at Tarrant-Rushton ("A Bridge Too Far") RAF bomber and glider airfield in the south of England. During a trip across Canada as a soldier he met his wife Doreen in Toronto whom he married in 1947. He was educated at Alberta Normal School, obtained a BSc and MSc at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, and earned a PhD from McGill University (Macdonald College) in botany/horticulture in 1958. Aleck and Doreen moved their family to Vineland in 1959 where he began a career as a research scientist, involved with rootstock development and his love and passion, apples. His pioneering work in breeding apple varieties and identifying hardy dwarfing apple rootstocks has had lasting benefits to the fruit growing industry in Canada and the United States. One of his accomplishments was the assembly of one of the largest orchards of apple varieties in the world, and he was awarded the Distinguished Service Award from the International Dwarf Fruit Tree Association for "devoting a lifetime in research to improving cultivars, rootstocks and cultural techniques".

Aleck and Doreen raised a family of 5 children in the Vineland area, born in 4 provinces across Canada. A religious man who could recall the day the Lord became his saviour, he was active in the church throughout his adult life, first at Vineland United Church as a Sunday school teacher, and later at the First Baptist Church in Beamsville as an usher and a deacon.

The family will receive friends at the **VINELAND CHAPEL of the TALLMAN FUNERAL HOMES**, 3277 King St. on Thursday 2 - 4 and 7 - 8:30 p.m. Funeral Service will be held at the First Baptist Church in Beamsville on Friday, January 25th at 2 p.m. Interment at Wilberforce, ON.

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The heart ache will never go away...
We miss and love you so much.

Always,

McKenna, Maddison, and Tracy xo

Deaths

Deaths



Jennette Jehu

(Resident of Wilberforce, Ontario)

Peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Centre on January 22, 2008 in her 71st year. Beloved wife of Keith Jehu. Loving mother of James (Charlene) of Trinidad, Thomas of Toronto, Christopher (Joanne) of Greenbank and Patrick of Markham. Lovingly remembered by her grandchildren Adam, Jason, David, Michael, Deborah and Marie. Predeceased by her brothers James & Donald.

Visitation & Funeral Service

A Private Service was held. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.

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Deaths

Deaths



Pearl Sluman

(Resident of West Guilford, Ontario)

Suddenly at Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Thursday morning, January 24, 2008 in her 68th year. Beloved wife of the late Gord Sluman (1994). Loving mother of Chris Mawbey, Coleen (Brian Mulholland) and Susan (Bill Taconis). Lovingly remembered by her grandchildren Jamie, Jinelle, Jasmine, Kimberly, Brian, Kelly & Blake and her great grandson Jackson. Dear sister of Betty, Nancy & Peggy. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews.

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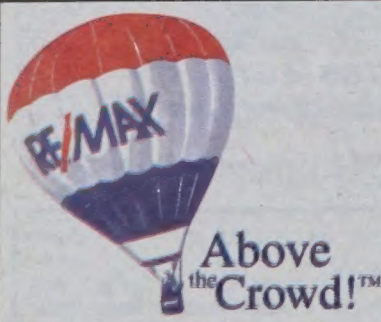
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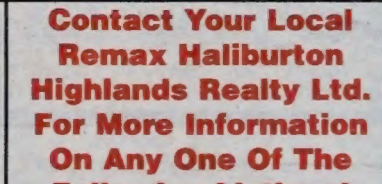
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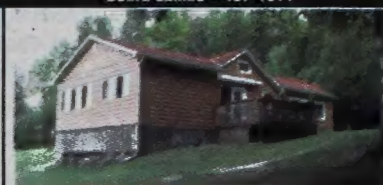
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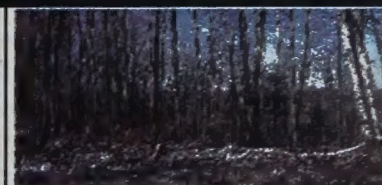
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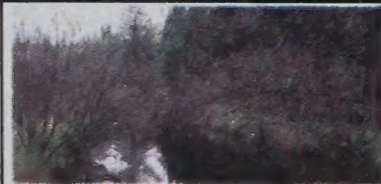
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